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FOR: METHOD OF PREPARING

ISOLATED CELL-FREE SKIN, CELL-FREE DERMAL MATRIX, METHOD OF PRODUCING THE

SAME AND COMPOSITE

CULTURED SKIN WITH THE USE OF THE CELL-FREE DERMAL

MATRIX

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.